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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**In re Applicant:**

Beka SOLOMON

**Serial No.:**

**Filed:** Concurrently

## For: Prevention of Protein Aggregation

**Examiner:**

## **Group Art Unit:**

**Attorney**

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Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

## **PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Prior to initial examination of the Reissue application, please add the following claims

**In the Claims:**

✓ 5. (New) A method of preventing or reducing aggregation of an aggregating protein or of disaggregating preaggregated aggregates of said aggregating protein, the method comprising the step of administering to a subject a therapeutically effective amount of an anti-aggregation molecule, said anti-aggregation molecule being capable of binding to a bioactive native or an aggregated form of said aggregating protein with a high binding constant, being non-inhibitory to the biological activity of said aggregating protein and being capable of preventing or reducing aggregation of said aggregating protein or disaggregating aggregates of said aggregating protein, thereby preventing or reducing aggregation of said aggregating protein or disaggregating aggregates of said aggregating protein.